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**From:** Bartling, Bill@DOC  
**Sent:** Tue 5/17/2016 11:03:16 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Aquifer Exemption Data - Water Well Information - Round Mountain

Michele,

Let me set it up.

Bill

**Bill Bartling**  
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On May 17, 2016, at 2:14 PM, Dermer, Michele <[Dermer.Michele@epa.gov](mailto:Dermer.Michele@epa.gov)> wrote:

Hi Bill,

Just a quick question – will a new version be provided at the Thursday meeting? Paper or electronic or both? I plan to return the paper copy we have to Al and destroying the few electronic versions we have so we have nothing confidential.

**From:** Bartling, Bill@DOC [<mailto:Bill.Bartling@conservation.ca.gov>]  
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Thanks. See you soon.

Bill

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On May 16, 2016, at 4:41 PM, Dermer, Michele <[Dermer.Michele@epa.gov](mailto:Dermer.Michele@epa.gov)> wrote:

Hi Bill,

The Round Mountain package was transmitted to us informally. You can replace what you gave us with a redacted version if you'd like. I can give the paper copy we have to Al on Thursday to bring back and hopefully he can provide either a revised paper copy and/or CD.

Regards, Michele

**From:** Bartling, Bill@DOC [<mailto:Bill.Bartling@conservation.ca.gov>]

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Thanks Michelle. We will be sure to do that in upcoming submissions. Will it be possible to conceal the confidential info in the Round Mountain package?

Bill

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On May 16, 2016, at 2:48 PM, Dermer, Michele <[Dermer.Michele@epa.gov](mailto:Dermer.Michele@epa.gov)> wrote:

Hi Jerry,

The well owner names may be kept confidential by DOGGR when submitting an AE package, it will not result in a deficiency being identified as part of EPA's review. Please note in the package that the information is confidential pursuant to the state regulations.

**From:** Salera, Jerry@DOC [<mailto:Jerry.Salera@conservation.ca.gov>]

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Hi Michele,

It is California Water Code section 13752, where it is mentioned that the Information Practices Act of 1977 shall be complied with as well. The Water Well data came from the CA Department of Water Resources and they have asked requesters to treat well owner's names and addresses as confidential.

Jerry

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Hi Jerry,

Would it be possible for you to provide a citation of the California law you are referring to so EPA can best respond. Thanks!

Michele

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Hi Michele,

We gave David an informal copy of the Round Mountain AE package last May 5 after the presentation here in our office. I understand that the AE package is now with you. We have realized that the hardcopy and the accompanying digital copy had water well owner information (names and addresses) that are considered confidential under California law. Kindly do not release such information to outside parties.

Also, we note that the EPA AE checklist asks for water well owner, contact information, and other information to meet the requirements under 40 CFR 146.4(a) ("Not currently used as a source of drinking water"). We need to be able to meet your requirements at the same time also honor State laws. Would a confidentiality arrangement between the State and EPA be the way to go? Perhaps, a point of further discussion in the next meeting or earlier. Thank you.

Sincerely,

*Jerry Salera*

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